

EXPANSION OF FAR EAST OIL PRODUCTION VITAL

By Ronald Boxall

LONDON, March 1.

Industries in the Far East have been faced with their own peculiar problems since the end of the war. Not only have they been affected by the abnormal economic conditions of the postwar world; they have also had problems of rehabilitation which, in a number of cases, have prevented them from working to capacity while world prices have risen, partly because of the scarcity of their products.

Huge unsatisfied markets await their return to full production, and perhaps in no other commodity is this more true than oil.

The Far East was once regarded as the world's most important oil-bearing region. Long before the huge resources of the United States, Venezuela, the Soviet Union, the Middle East and the Caribbean were developed, the Far East was producing oil on a scale sufficient to satisfy the rather primitive needs of the local populations and, in later years, even certain of the needs of the outside world. But, today, its output is only a minute fraction of the world's total yield.

Before the war, the consumption of oil per head of the Far Eastern population was very small compared with the corresponding consumption in Western countries. The surplus production was readily taken up by Australia and New Zealand, countries whose Western civilisations demanded a far greater amount of oil. The Far Eastern oilfields, therefore, provided the major proportion of their own and Australasia's oil requirements.

NEED FOR MORE

Today, as the recent Anglo-American oil controversy and the difficulties of restoring unrestricted supplies of petrol

In Australia have shown, the need is for more and still more production from Far East oilfields.

Moreover, as industrialisation gathers pace in Australia and the Far East the need for more oil from readily accessible markets will be accentuated. Before Far Eastern oil resources are able to meet this increasing demand from their own and neighbouring countries ways must be found of overcoming the technical problem involved in further development.

In regions where oil is likely to be found, the terrain is not always hospitable towards those who would deprive it of its mineral wealth. No doubt, with adequate financial backing, these difficulties could be overcome and some of the strain removed from other oil-producing regions, but this would seem to be a task for those governments which are interested in developing the economic resources of the Far East rather than for commercial undertakings which, naturally, seek safeguards before investing huge sums in capital development.

COMPARISON

The following table illustrates how Far Eastern oil output compares with the world total oil production:

Oil production in metric tons, including natural gasoline:

Far Eastern production —	7,870,000 (1948), 10,130,000 (1938).
World total production —	489,000,000 (1948), 230,535,000 (1938).

Far Eastern production of oil in 1948 included 4,410,000 tons from the whole of Indonesia and 2,700,000 from British Borneo. Other countries—namely, India, Pakistan, Japan, China and Burma—contributed the remainder.

The postwar drop in production coincided with increased demand from every country in the Far East, except Japan, where the decline in military demand more than offset the growing civilian requirements.

At the same time, the reduction in American exports compelled Far Eastern consumers to rely on larger supplies from the Middle East. This means that increased production is more than ever a matter of urgency if those countries are to maintain healthy economic progress.

Although the proven reserves of oil in the Far East were estimated at the beginning of 1949 to be 200,000,000 tons—less than two percent of the total world figure—only a few areas have been fully developed. Others, where oil may be found, are being developed by British, American and Dutch interests. Still more await exploration.

SOCIAL BENEFITS

Among the Far Eastern oil-producing countries, Indonesia, which is by far the most important, has most reason to regret the decline in oil production. The oil industry in Indonesia has brought important social benefits to those who are engaged in it and, in the present circumstances, the new Government would not wish to see these jeopardised.

Moreover, the country's other two main industries—rubber and tin—are encountering their own problems. Rubber is faced with serious competition from the American synthetic rubber industry, and tin production is outstripping consumption to such an extent that an international scheme to restrict output is now believed to be the only way to prevent disaster.

It is apparent, therefore, that expansion of this important industry is a main factor not only in providing employment to those directly concerned, but also in facilitating economic progress in the Far East, on which many vital political issues depend.

NEWS IN PICTURES



THREE GENERATIONS OF HOOVERS—America's only living ex-President, Herbert Hoover, enjoyed a short vacation at Miami Beach, Florida, recently. Shown with him are his son, Allan Hoover, and his grandson, Andrew Hoover, to complete the family group.



AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION—West Berlin police officers study the city's US-Russian border to map out plans to prevent a scheduled Communist demonstration from spreading into the American section. Dr Johannes Stumm, second from left, Police Chief of West Berlin, plans his strategy three months before the meeting.



SWIMS, TOO—Actress Lizbeth Scott poses at the Pacific Palisades, near Hollywood, California. But she does more than just pose when she goes to the beach, for Lizbeth is one bathing beauty who is also an accomplished swimmer.



FUN IN PARIS—A one-humped, home-made camel is led through the Latin Quarter in Paris by a Beaux-Arts architectural school student during the traditional celebration of Rougevin Day. Floats and unusual figures are constructed weeks before the parade, which honours a former student and benefactor.



AT FILM PREMIERE—Noel Coward, left, Lynn Fontanne and Alfred Lunt, all famous stage favourites, attend the opening of Coward's latest film in New York. The first British picture to have a world premiere in the United States was for the benefit of the Mary MacArthur Memorial Fund for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

POCKET CARTOON

by OSBERT LANCASTER



"I suppose you blasted radicals will try to explain this away by saying the fellow had had one tomato-juice too many!"

The Battle Of The Sparrows

Despite protests from the local RSPCA—"birds have rights and feelings, haven't they?"—medical research workers at Birmingham University are pressing their appeal to the public for 200 or more house sparrows for more accurate confirmation of the medical school's initial evidence that these birds carry germs which cause food-poisoning.

The research workers do not want small boys with airguns to start a mass slaughter of the birds, but they say that it is essential for them to be supplied with the sparrows within the next eight or 12 weeks. On the other hand, the local RSPCA are against the proposal and condemn the whole idea. Says their spokesman: "We have spent years trying to teach people that these birds have rights and feelings."

Medical experts say investigations have revealed that at times the birds carry one of the germs which cause food poisoning. Since the outbreaks of food poisoning, particularly in canteens, where sparrows flew in and hopped about the tables unmolested. Suspicious eventually turned to these birds, and specimens are now wanted from various parts of the city and suburbs.

If present findings are confirmed special precautions will be recommended to prevent sparrows getting near human food or places where it is prepared.

Meanwhile, the battle of the sparrows between medical research and the Association continues.

Water-Bus Route To Be Extended

The Thames water-bus service, which for the past two years or so has become increasingly popular with Londoners and visitors to Britain's capital city, is to be greatly enlarged for the Festival of Britain 1951. Work has already started on a new 85-feet river taxi to carry 250 passengers and other boats will be commissioned to augment the present bus fleet.

The water-bus route at present extends from Greenwich in the east to Putney in the west. Plans are being made to extend the route westwards to Hammersmith and to build new piers at London Bridge and Blackfriars.

Landing stages on the south bank of the river will lead directly to the Festival's exhibition grounds in London, which extend along the riverside between Westminster and Waterloo Bridges.

She Has Written 250 Books

There are few young boys and girls in the world today who do not delight in the adventures woven around "Mr Tumpy," "Rubbalong," the "Sauce-Pan Man" and the many other lovable characters created by Enid Blyton. In book, magazine and newspaper, the stories told by this popular British author are read wherever children love fairy tales—and that is everywhere.

But what sort of person is this spinner of make-believe who is fast becoming known as "Britain's Hans Andersen"? How does she manage to write so prolifically that, apart from her books—she has written 250—she produces a great number of short stories, a fortnightly magazine, film scripts, school readers and religious books for children?

REARING SNAILS FOR COOKING

A wild French snail can, if he is lucky, live until he dies a natural death at the ripe old age of seven. But if he is one of the pampered kind the boiling pot may get him at the age of two.

Three is the perfect edible age, four the limit for a juicy, succulent chew.

There are several different kinds of cultivated snails, each with individual excellence in colour, size and taste. "Big White" is the gourmet's choice though the "Small Grey" is very sweet and tender.

The French were by no means the first snail eaters. The Romans laid out snail parks, fed them flour and special fattening foods and ate them for pleasure and medicine. For wheezy chests they swallowed them raw. Snail syrup was the cod-liver oil of the Roman young.

Cultivation is easy and cheap. Two million can be bred in a half-acre park (walled to keep them at home), and give an annual harvest of between 600,000 and 1,000,000. Fancy breeders recognise age and quality by size and colour.

Snails are blue blooded, hungry vegetarians, but go to ground and sleep all winter without food or drink. It is then they are gathered. They pay no attention to their offspring; once they have laid their eggs their parental duties are over.

Flaming Ices

Proudly a soda-fountain in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, unveiled the ultimate in ice cream sundae—vanilla ice cream doused in hot fudge sauce and then a marshmallow topped with three drops of alcohol, which was ignited before serving.

But just as business was booming, the fire brigade arrived and banned the flaming sundae. Too dangerous for people wearing fur coats or celluloid collars.

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Enid Blyton is a charming brown-eyed Englishwoman who lives with her husband, Mr Darrell Waters, a distinguished surgeon, and two teen-age daughters in a beautiful house at Beaconsfield, in Buckinghamshire, about 20 miles from London. To her, writing is not hard work but a pleasure.

FLOW OF IDEAS

"Ideas flow into my mind and take possession of it," she says. "My characters come singing and dancing into my imagination. Take the 'Sauce-Pan Man'. His idiosyncrasy is bursting into song, which always begins with the word 'Two'. Why he always comes on the scene singing is beyond me—but he always does!"

Twenty publishers in Britain and four in the United States are kept busy issuing the flood of stories that come from Miss Blyton's pen. The first printing of an Enid Blyton book is a bestseller in advance, for seldom are fewer than 50,000 copies sold in the first edition and more usually it is 100,000. Many countries, particularly Holland, broadcast her tales in regular series.

Miss Blyton claims she is among the happiest women in the world. Not only for her work and the happiness of her home, but for the constantly expressed affection of her world-wide audience. She has a fan-mail of 30,000 letters a year.

FIRST AT 14

When her youngest daughter, Imogen, now 13, fell ill from infantile paralysis two years ago, a great spate of letters and cables of sympathy arrived. "So you see," she says, "although I have only two daughters, I have, perhaps the largest family in the world."

When Miss Blyton had her first story published at the age of 14, she was so happy that she decided that henceforth writing must be her life's work. For the children of the world that was a most fortunate decision.

Enid Blyton's stories appear regularly in the Hongkong Telegraph Boys' and Girls' Page every Saturday. The current serial is "Five Fall Into Adventure."

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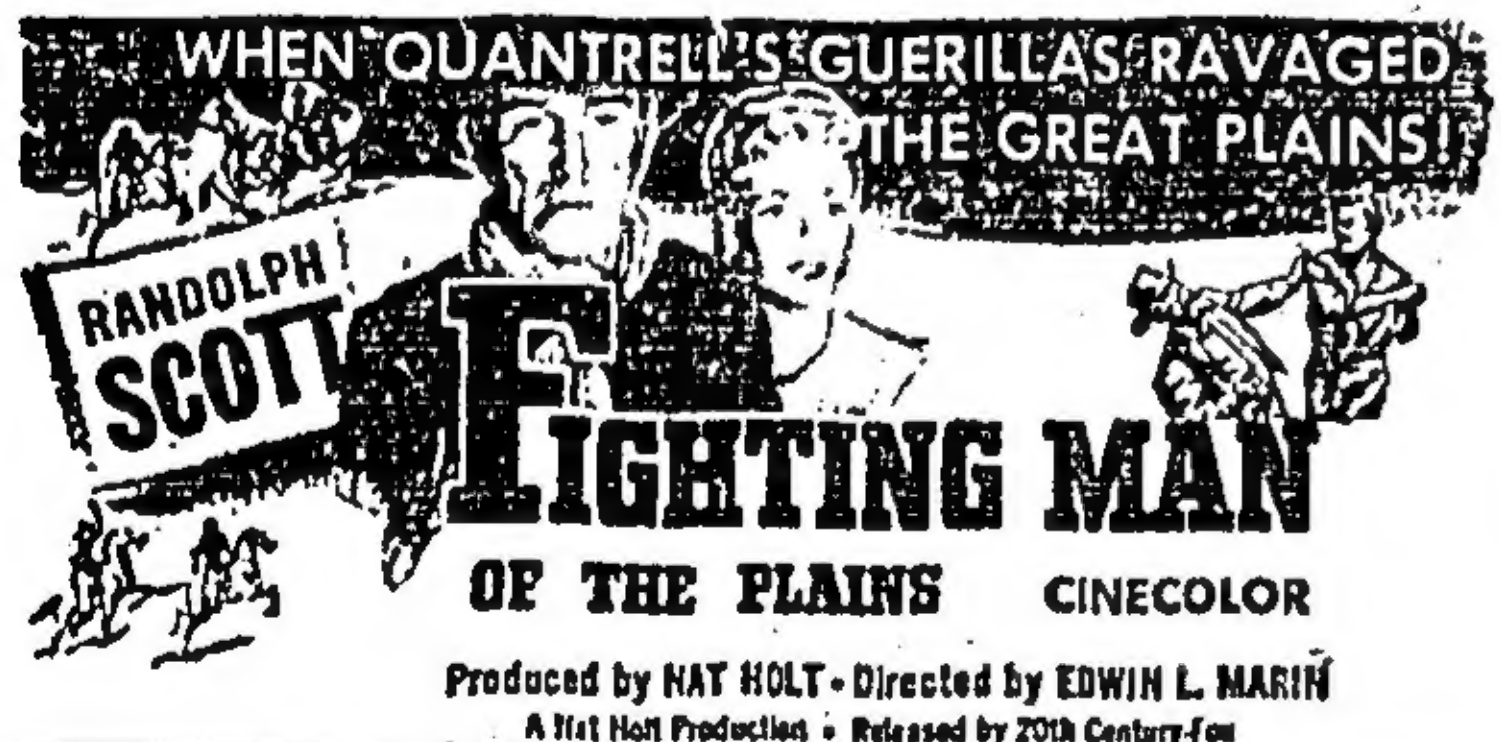
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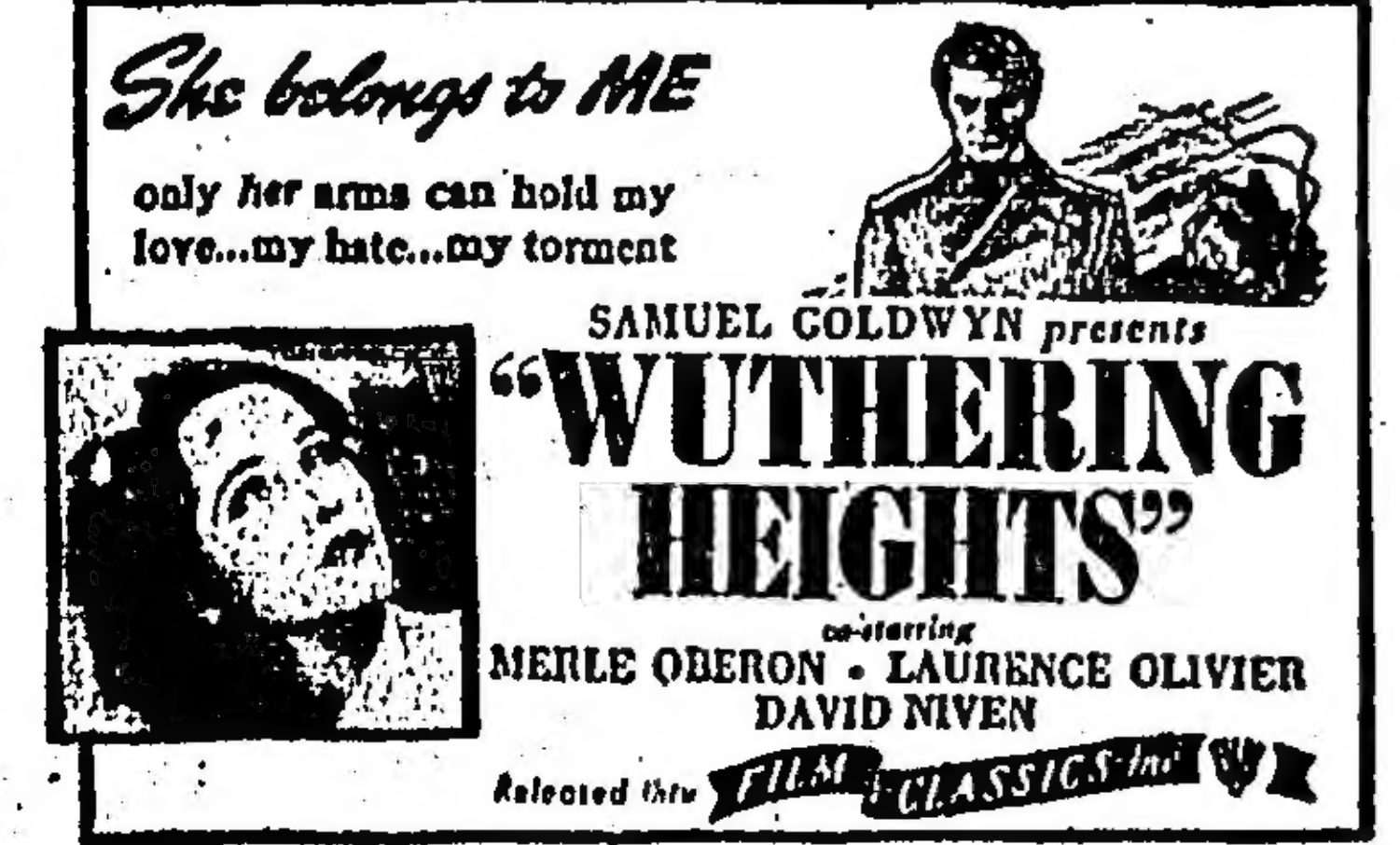
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NATHANIEL GUBBINS

SHOULD any Government ever be fool enough to enoble your Uncle Nat this young man would be useful for rehearsals before meeting the genuine, terrifying butlers usually employed by persons of rank.

I shall need tea at eight, Jenkins.

Yes, my lord.

You can then prepare my bath and lay out my old tweed jacket. Moth's Relish and remove the creases from my grey flannel trousers. Elephant's Legs.

Yes, my lord.

You can then get Lottie the Devil Cat's breakfast. This must be a substantial meal because two or three of her boy friends usually come in to share it.

I see, my lord.

The food must be just the right temperature. If it's too hot she'll bite you.

Really, my lord?

At first you will find it difficult to cook with Lottie on your shoulder and her friends weaving round your legs. But you'll get used to it, I trust.

I trust so, my lord.

After that you can dust my work room and keep Lottie out of it while I'm working. You can do this by amusing her with a ping pong ball or a toy mouse.

A toy mouse, my lord?

A toy mouse, Jenkins. You will find plenty of them in the house. Tie one to the end of a string and run about the kitchen with it. It's quite fun sometimes.

Thank you, my lord.

You can then prepare lunch for the family, including Lottie. Lottie should have hers first to avoid smash and grab raids at table.

Yes, my lord.

After lunch you can help Lady Gubbins with the washing up. As I shall be asleep at the top of the house, answer all callers with a firm polite "The lordship must not be disturbed."

Certainly, my lord.

I never eat dinner, so you needn't lay out my clothes.

I see, my lord.

You can leave some bread and cheese on the table and take the evening off. If you don't know anybody here I shall be in the Bricklayer's

Kissing gate

Older inhabitants in rural districts are to be asked by parish councils about local rights of way and the sites of old stiles and kissing gates to help the Ministry of Town and Country Planning in a survey of the countryside under the National Parks Act.

YOU mentioned a kissing gate in the village, Mr Garbage. Where exactly was it situated?

That was where squire's grandfather used to wait for blacksmith's darter.

Never mind about the squire's grandfather, Mr Garbage. Where was the gate?

Prayer young wolf e were, pounce on the girls as they passed. Couldn't leave a pretty female alone, e couldn't.

We are asking you about the gate, Mr Garbage.

And she were a prayer flit-bol-night, too. Black air she at and black eyes as bold as you make em. We allus reckoned it was as much er fault as his'n.

It would help us all so much if you would keep to the point, Mr Garbage.

Though Ol don't reckon they should've stoned er down the village street, poor creature. Specially on Christmas Eve with the snow a-fallin' thick an fast and the squire's grandfather quizzin' port an sherry wine in the big ouse. That night she were more sinn'd against than sinnin, Ol reckon.

If you can hear me, Mr Garbage, we were talking about the site of the old kissing gate.

When she come back with a little girl, the livin' spittin' image of im, e was a-carryin' on with a milkmaid up at the Old Farm. And the next Christmas Eve she were stoned down the village street, too. And it were a snowin' worse than ever Ol remember rightly.

All right, Mr Garbage. That will do.

Six on em e ruined altogether. All on em as pretty as pictures. Then e married the vicar's darter and took to the bottle.

Will somebody show Mr Garbage out?

And Ol don't reckon his grandson's any better. Three of the parlormaids at the big ouse e's a-ruined already. But as they're all looked arter by the

my hair on the left," she may have thought, "Oh, hell, this is where I came in," and decided to marry a tall, dark man with no parting and no arguments.

A swan found limping near the River Orwell, at Ipswich, was suffering from rot, according to a veterinary surgeon.

THE Swan said, in an interview:—

"I've never touched a drop of strong liquor in my life, though I don't suppose anybody will believe me. They wouldn't believe my father, who was a life-long teetotaler, and always had his foot in bandages.

"I expect we both inherited it from my grandfather, who led rather a wild life. During an attack of gout, his language was so awful my grandmother had to take the children to another nest.

"It is not generally known that gout is a common complaint among swans. That is why we walk so badly, keep our feet as long as possible in cool water, and have such vile tempers.

"Get away from my foot, damn you."

—London Express Service

The people in the new parliament

NOW we have a Parliament of young men who are Tories and aging men who are Socialists.

In the Members' Common Room at Westminster a pawnbroker will be able to meet an atomic scientist, the son of the keeper of the Mass Rock may meet the son of the Arctic explorer Shackleton.

An ex-stoker will be almost the sole representative of the non-commissioned ranks, facing 32 ex-regular officers.

But of all trades and professions represented in the House, the weight goes to 92 men of law, to 73 trade union officials, to 46 company directors, and 45 journalists.

Nor will it be strictly a House of "Commons," for 18 junior members of the nobility have won seats.

There will be only one french politician, Mr F. Messer, Tottenham, but two hair dressers, Mr J. Kinley, Boodle, and Mr H. Thornycroft, Manchester, Clayton.

Twenty-nine teachers go to the House, but only one concert baritone, Mr H. A. Price, West Lewisham.

Four clergymen, four engineers, eight clerks, five pawnbrokers, Alderman David Logan, 78.—B. P.

UNO BUILDING BECOMES AN IRON CURTAIN

By FREDERICK COOK

NEW YORK. LIFE is not as peaceful in my little top-floor flat in New York's skyscraper Tudor City as once it was. Bangs of an almost V2 intensity make sleeping late out of the question, except on a Sunday morning.

But no more are heard the baa-ing flocks of bewildered lambs led from burges on the East River toward the local packing plant.

The multi-coloured lights of Broadway, which used to shimmer on the water, are now reflected off the glass-and-concrete skyscraper of the new United Nations headquarters.

Along First Avenue, Little Italy is disappearing. Huge trenches reveal the solid bedrock which makes skyscrapers possible.

To make a new tunnel for the traffic, so that the debaters shall not be disturbed, workmen are cutting away sparkling Manhattan schist, rich in mica, apparently, on which this city has grown.

GONE FOR EVER

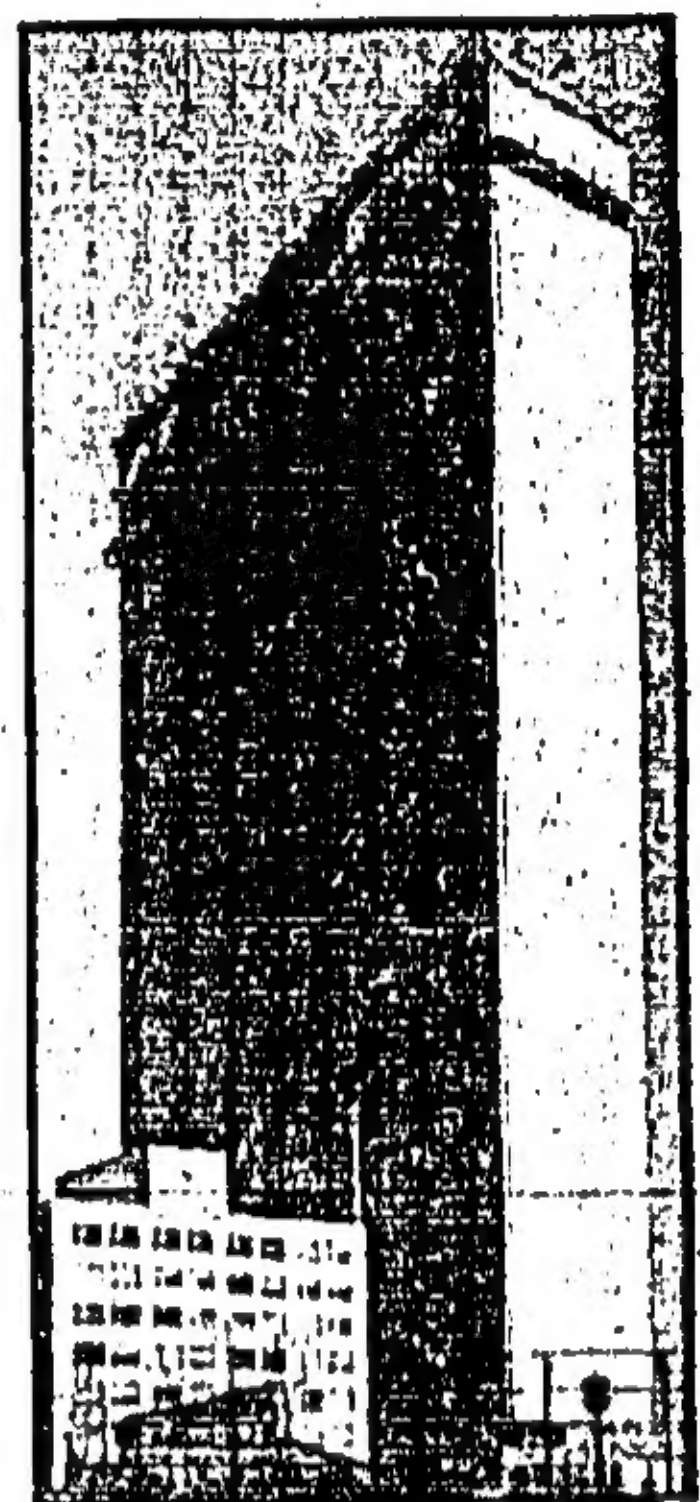
The main Uno building is now our local Iron Curtain. Our river view is gone for ever. No more shall we enjoy the cooling breezes off the water that helped to make summer bearable in mid-town New York.

Work on the rest of the development is progressing well.

The place where they are building it is rich in history by American standards. In 1639, William Kestel, Governor of New Netherlands, gave a land grant to a couple of English tobacco growers, Hall and Holmes.

It was their reward for fighting the Dutch against the Indians who then lived where I do, in Tudor City.

Three hundred and seven years later, Mr John D. Rockefeller gave about 17 acres of



Uno's Secretariat building—the seven-story building in the foreground will house the library.

American slang—and somehow got along.

More than 30 general plans were drawn, and of these 300 variations were formally considered. Well-meaning amateurs sent in thousands of suggestions which proved of little help.

Bit by bit, a final plan emerged. Now they are working on the 39-floor secretariat building, an assembly hall that will look very much like a super-cinema, and a long low meetings hall building; a delegations building will come some time later.

The framework of the Secretariat building is up, and is being walled in. Work is well advanced on the next building of the group.

In Tudor City there are mixed views about it all.

It will be pleasant, some of us think, to have the Uno headquarters look at instead of the old tin-roofed abattoirs.

On the other hand, with all these delegates riding around in big black limousines, there will not be anywhere for a local resident to park.

And they will probably put our rent-up, too, as soon as they can.

—London Express Service.



—London Express Service.

NANCY

Snow Gag



By Ernie Bashmiller



THIS MAY BE THE YEAR THE USA WILL LOSE THE DAVIS CUP SAYS CORNELIUS RYAN

This may be the year that the USA may lose the Davis Cup, that emblem of world tennis supremacy. There are increasing indications that Ted Schroeder may not play on the American team this year, and without Schroeder the Cup defenders would be in serious trouble.

The burly 30-year-old Californian is the only "big man with a big game" left in American amateur ranks. Pancho Gonzales, who joined with Schroeder to trounce Australia last year, is a professional now, and the other top-ranked American players—such as Gardner Mulloy, Bill Talbert, Art Larsen, Earl Cochell, Sam Match, Ed Moylan and Herb Flam—are definitely in a different mould than Jack Kramer, Gonzales, Don Budge, Ellsworth Vines and Bill Tilden, all of them big men with a smashing powerful style.

Schroeder will not play in the 1950 National Indoor Tournament at New York, and his refusal there hints at a possible refusal to play in any tennis tournament this year. There are several reasons for Ted's reluctance.

Chief is his interest in his refrigeration business. Schroeder points out that this business is a lucrative one, and is his life's work. Tennis is not.

Now that he is 30, he needs extra time and tournaments to get into top shape, and he can ill spare the time from business. Then, too, he is somewhat irritated at the 1948 rankings which placed him second in America to Gonzales, although Gonzales turned professional long before the rankings were made.

CHOICE FOR SINGLES

If Schroeder does not play, Talbert and Mulloy are the probable choices as Singles players, and both are just 30. Talbert is a stylist, who can be very good on certain days, but he lacks stamina.

Mulloy is just a steady and good player. Larsen is young and has a flaming competitive spirit, but he is short and wiry and lacks international experience.

Cochell, Match, Moylan and Flam are all medium-sized players with medium-sized games. Frank Sedgman of Australia, playing as the dual Forest Hills last summer, would be favoured over any of them. And the Aussies beat Talbert and Mulloy in the Doubles in 1949.—United Press.

GUSSIE MAY WEAR FRILLY TROUSERS!

London, Mar. 14.—Miss Gertrude "Gorgeous Gussie" Moran, whose lace panties caused a sensation at Wimbledon last year, will wear something "even more shattering" at this year's tournament. British designer Teddy Tinling said today.

"Wimbledon has seen nothing until Gorgeous Gussie steps on



GUSSIE

to the Centre Court in June," Tinling said. "If my client shocked the Egyptian world by playing in plain ordinary black tennis shorts, goodness knows what they will think of Gussie's new dresses."

Mr Tinling recently quit as official host at Wimbledon after a row with the club over his designing activities.

In an interview with the United Press, he disclosed some of the details of the costumes the beautiful young American tennis star may wear.

He said: "She may wear a two-piece ensemble showing a bare midriff—a broderie anglaise blouse and skirt with enough holes and slits to appeal to the most Casanova-like of all men."

"Or a simple dress showing crossover shoulder straps showing plenty of what's under the crossover. Or she may choose to wear a revealing blouse and calf length frilly trousers."

"The world is starved for femininity and Gussie is going to give them that old appeal they crave for. She is the most provocative of all tennis stars." —United Press.

CUP SEMI-FINAL

Chelsea Should Just About Beat Arsenal

London, Mar. 14.—Pride of place in next Saturday's English football programme belongs to the Football Association Cup semi-final between Chelsea and Arsenal at the Tottenham Hotspur ground, London.

The teams have met in five Cup ties, and Arsenal have won only once. In 1946-47, after two drawn games, Chelsea beat Arsenal 2-0 on the ground on which Saturday's match will be played.

Arsenal have got to this stage this year with a series of narrow victories, and their great defence deserves most of the credit for their progress.

Chelsea played inspired football in disposing of Newcastle and Manchester United. If they can repeat their brilliant form of these matches, Chelsea should just about win in what looks like being a very close match.

The League Division I programme includes three matches which have a strong bearing on the struggle for Championship.

GENEROUS

Chelsea players have something to get excited about—apart from the Cup draw. A supporter who backed the club to win the FA Cup at 33-1 some time ago, took the odds to £100. If he wins he is prepared to give Chelsea players £100 each.

honours—Manchester United v. Blackpool, Sunderland v. Portsmouth and Liverpool v. Wolverhampton Wanderers.

GREAT FOOTBALL

Blackpool are a skilful side with a strong defence, but Manchester United are playing great football and should gain two points to consolidate their lead in the table.

Sunderland have forced themselves well into the battle for honours with a series of victories in the weeks since Christmas. Portsmouth have a side strong in all departments, but Sunderland should maintain their unbeaten record by taking both points.

Wolves have slipped back in the Championship race, and Liverpool's well-balanced side may take the victory in what looks like being a close match. Birmingham and Manchester City, the last two clubs in the table, meet at Birmingham in a desperate battle for vital points which should end in Birmingham's favour.

Tottenham Hotspurs, the runaway leaders in the Second Division, may be held to a draw at Barnsley, where the home side are difficult to beat.

Sheffield United, second in the table behind Spurs, should improve their prospects with a win at home against Leicester, Hull City, another club in the promotion struggle, may have a fruitless journey to Leeds. Leeds United have been playing good football, and they are now free from Cup commitments.

DANGER ZONE

Coventry, down in the danger zone, should muster up enough drive to take two valuable points from their home match against Blackburn Rovers.

Nottingham, leaders in Third Division, Southern, will be striving at Walsall to take a tighter grip on the leadership. Walsall have not got the scoring power of Nottingham, but their defence gives little away at home, and they may take a point from the leaders.

Southend, sixth in the table, have yet to score their first away win. They will be hoping that their visit to Millwall will yield two points, but Millwall's desperate efforts to get away from the bottom of the table should gain some result in this match.

Doncaster Rovers, Third Division, Northern, leaders, seem to have an easy task at home against Wrexham. Bradford City, in need of points to take them out of the danger zone, entertain strong visitors in Crewe, fourth from the top of the table. This match looks a likely draw.—Reuter.

COLONY TENNIS

Ip Enters The Final

Ip Koon-hung, holder of the Colony Open Singles Championship, beat Edwin Tsai, 6-3, 6-3, 4-6, 6-1, in the semi-final at Chater Road yesterday. Ip's powerful drives and delightful net intercepts were too much for Tsai.

Tsai won only the first, fifth, and seventh games of the first set. Less forceful than Ip, he played with spasmodic brilliance. When he flashed the ball past Ip the crowd applauded. When the rock-steady Ip did it there was little applause. It was expected.

Tsai clicked up a two-love lead in the second set, and they equalled at 3-11. Tsai, playing with more fire, beat Ip, cautiously at times, but Ip played calmly, smashing away lobts Tsai tossed up from some tight spots. Ip won the last three games.

Tsai ran up a 4-3 lead in the third set, dropped the next, but made it 5-4 with a love game he clinched with three beautiful placements that left Ip yards away.

Ip, down love-40 on his own service, double-faulted in the next game, and Tsai got the set 6-4.

Ip made no mistake about the next set. He only dropped the fourth game, and quietly stroked his way to a convincing win. Tsai was put in the other semi-final at 4.30 to-day.

N.E. Arthy and Mrs J.B. Kite beat K.M. Getz and Mrs Getz 6-2, 6-2 in their Hongkong Cricket Club Mixed Doubles Handicap match at Chater Road yesterday.

Excitement At Tel-Aviv

Tel-Aviv, Mar. 14.—The Turkish team, Fenerbachs, beat Hapoel Petah Tikva here this afternoon by five goals to three in a fast soccer match. The game was played at Petah Tikva, about 15 miles north of Tel-Aviv. Special military and police squads were detailed to prevent a repetition of the disorderly scenes of Saturday, when enthusiastic crowds interfered with the play.

The match opened with plenty of excitement and within five minutes two goals were scored. Ten minutes before the end of the match, the Turkish goalkeeper was carried off the field on a stretcher after being hurt in attempting to save the Hapoel Petah Tikva's third goal.

The Israeli team attacked strongly in the second half, but they could not gain the mastery over their opponents. This was the Turkish second victory in Israel.—Reuter.

ENCOURAGEMENT FROM LEN



The ever popular ex-heavyweight and lightweight champion of England, Len Harvey, signing autographs for boxers who took part in the AA Command Annual Boxing Championships at Lino Grove Hall, Shepherds Bush, London.

Is Television Good Or Bad For Sport?

ASKS PETER DITTON

Last week the British Boxing Promoters' Association, representing 54 of the 75 promoters in active operation in this country, decided on a virtual ban on television at their tournaments. In future no member will be able to arrange for his show to be televised without permission of the association. Before the permission can be obtained the views of each of the other 53 associate members will be canvassed.

This action gives rise to an interesting problem. Is television going to be a curse or a blessing to British sport. Is the fact that people can see all the big sporting events in their own home going to keep them away from the actual event. Obviously the British Boxing Promoters' Association take that view. They feel that televised boxing shows will lower attendances. But are they necessarily right?

When I spoke to Mr Ronald Ezra of Brainman and Ezra Productions he took the completely opposite view. He and his partner have staged several professional boxing tournaments in London and they have allowed their shows to be televised. They are not members of the Association and Mr Ezra told me that wherever possible they will continue to have their shows televised.

NO ATTENDANCE SLUMP
"We found that attendance figures did not suffer when previous shows were televised and we see no reason why they should suffer in the future," he said. "Our attitude towards the more people that see boxing on television is that they will eventually decide to come and see the game at first hand. And through television we may recruit some new supporters who previously had not been interested."

A director of one well known club told me that twice this season the television cameras had visited their ground. On neither occasion did attendance drop. On the contrary, the club found that there was added interest. "We take the line," the director said, "that many people who have never seen a football match will look at a game that is being televised. There is always a chance that they will eventually decide to come and see the game at first hand. And through television we may recruit some new supporters who previously had not been interested."

DIFFERENT ATMOSPHERE

He completely debunked the idea that television could cause any drop in attendance figures. "No real soccer fan will want to watch a game on the silver screen when he can go along and see it for himself. There is an entirely different atmosphere at a match that television cannot recapture and the real supporter will not stay at home to watch a game on television."

—London Express Service.

GOLDEN SPURS FOR GORDON RICHARDS

London, Mar. 14.—Britain's champion jockey, Gordon Richards, was today presented with a pair of golden spurs to mark his 22 years of success as champion jockey in the British Isles.

Everyone of note in the British racing world was present at a lunch given by the leading sporting newspaper, "Sporting Life," at this presentation.

Proposing the toast of "Gordon Richards," the Earl of Rosebery, member of the Jockey Club and one of the leading pillars of the British turf, said that Richards was the greatest jockey he had ever seen after more than 50 years of racing on the British turf.

The acid test of a jockey was that he should never lose a race he should have won, and Richards had lost far fewer than any other jockey he could remember.

He had seen all the greatest riders of the century, including Danny Maher, who used to ride for his father, but Richards was the greatest of them all.

ONE AMBITION

In presenting Richards with his golden spurs, Mr A.B. Clements, editor of "Sporting Life," said that he hoped Richards would this year achieve his ambition in at last riding the winner of the Derby and that he would have the privilege of writing the headline: "Richards Wins Golden Spurs With Derby on The Golden Road" for the champion jockey is probably going to ride The Golden Road in this year's Derby.

Mr Clements added that there was no other sportsman in any sport in any country in the world who had a record to equal that of Richards, who had been champion jockey for 22 years.

He said that riding with the late Steve Donoghue was a great education for him in the early days and that Steve was the greatest jockey he ever saw ride.—Reuter.

HIGH STANDARD IN AA COMMAND BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS

By ARCHIE QUICK

A long road ended for National Servicemen and regular soldiers when the AA Command Boxing Championship finals were held at Shepherds Bush, London, on March 6. They had had to fight their way through unit, regimental and group championships, and the survivors were a worthy lot. With National Service, of course, new faces appear every year and this was stressed by the fact that only Craftsman Ken Bebbington could be said to have had any experience at all of fighting in public.

He comes from Pinistow, and is the 19-year-old brother of L/Cpl. Ron Bebbington, the former Army Middleweight Champion and AA title holder, and Ken took a second title way down east of Aldgate Pump by winning the Welterweight Championship from L/Cpl. J. Ritchie of South Shields in the best bout of the evening. Ken has already boxed for the Army against London and Wales but he was only a narrow winner.

The next best was the last contest of the night between Gnr. D. L. Chatteris and Gnr. Eric Boon—and Pte D. Harkins of Paisley, which Harkins won closely on points after having been put down a few seconds before the final bell. Previously Laws had been down, and right through the three rounds these two did not let up for a moment.

If these two fights were outstanding, the night was not without the rest. There were, for example, three knockouts in the first round by Gunner George Mortimer, a tear-away bantam from Hull—which previously had produced another Army bantam in Peter Morrison—against hapless Pte. J. Harper of Liverpool, who was eventually knocked out in the second round. There was also a third round knockout in the heavyweight final, which Bdr. J. Donaldson of Mill Hill, North London, won against Gnr. J. Woodliff of Leeds. The remainder of the final went to points decisions, and the results were:—

Cruiser: L/Bdr F. Meekins of Worthing, beat Gnr. J. Spence, of Glasgow.

Feather: L/Bdr A. Harrison, of Pontypridd, beat Dvr. A. Weir of Edmonton, North London.

Light: Gnr. P. Griffiths, of Bromley, Kent, beat L/Bdr J. Sullivan, of Manchester.

Sullivan, that remains me. Danny O'Sullivan, British professional Bantamweight Champion, was present and was the grand old timer, Len Harvey, but by the antiquated rules of the ABA they were not allowed inside the ring. They had to speak their pieces into a microphone outside the ropes.

The prizes were distributed by the GOC AA Command, Lt. Gen. Sir Ivor Thomas, KBE, CB, DSO, MC, who said these annual boxing championships were events he looked forward to keenly because he thought they were the finest in the Army, apart from the Army Championships themselves. I agree. AA Command is far and away ahead of any other in standard and presentation.

The Royal Leicesters held their first Athletic Meeting yesterday at the United Services ground since their arrival in the Colony last year.

The Support Company took the honours for the Inter-Company trophy with 71 points. HQ Coy. were second with 69 points and A Coy. third with 63 points.

Lieut.-Col. S. D. Field, C.O., presented the prizes at the conclusion of the meeting. The results are as follows: 100 Yards.—1. Pte. Gardner (SP); 2. Pte. Higgins (SP); 3. Sgt. Morris (SP); 4. Pte. Parsons (SP); 5. Pte. Woodhead (SP); 6. Pte. Pennington (SP); 7. Pte. Field (SP); 8. Pte. Field (SP); 9. Pte. Field (SP); 10. Pte. Field (SP).

220 Yards.—1. Pte. Gardner (SP); 2. Pte. Higgins (SP); 3. Pte. Parsons (SP); 4. Pte. Woodhead (SP); 5. Pte. Pennington (SP); 6. Pte. Field (SP); 7. Pte. Field (SP); 8. Pte. Field (SP); 9. Pte. Field (SP); 10. Pte. Field (SP).

440 Yards.—1. Pte. Gardner (SP); 2. Pte. Higgins (SP); 3. Pte. Parsons (SP); 4. Pte. Woodhead (SP); 5. Pte. Pennington (SP); 6. Pte. Field (SP); 7. Pte. Field (SP); 8. Pte. Field (SP); 9. Pte. Field (SP); 10. Pte. Field (SP).

880 Yards.—1. Pte. Gardner (SP); 2. Pte. Higgins (SP); 3. Pte. Parsons (SP); 4. Pte. Woodhead (SP); 5. Pte. Pennington (SP); 6. Pte. Field (SP); 7. Pte. Field (SP); 8. Pte. Field (SP); 9. Pte. Field (SP); 10. Pte. Field (SP).

1760 Yards.—1. Pte. Gardner (SP); 2. Pte. Higgins (SP); 3. Pte. Parsons (SP); 4. Pte. Woodhead (SP); 5. Pte. Pennington (SP); 6. Pte. Field (SP); 7. Pte. Field (SP); 8. Pte. Field (SP); 9. Pte. Field (SP); 10. Pte. Field (SP).

3520 Yards.—1. Pte. Gardner (SP); 2. Pte. Higgins (SP); 3. Pte. Parsons (SP); 4. Pte. Woodhead (SP); 5. Pte. Pennington (SP); 6. Pte. Field (SP); 7. Pte. Field (SP); 8. Pte. Field (SP); 9. Pte. Field (SP); 10. Pte. Field (SP).

7040 Yards.—1. Pte. Gardner (SP); 2. Pte. Higgins (SP); 3. Pte. Parsons (SP); 4. Pte. Woodhead (SP); 5. Pte. Pennington (SP); 6. Pte. Field (SP); 7. Pte. Field (SP); 8. Pte. Field (SP); 9. Pte. Field (SP); 10. Pte. Field (SP).

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28160 Yards.—1. Pte. Gardner (SP); 2. Pte. Higgins (SP); 3. Pte. Parsons (SP); 4. Pte. Woodhead (SP); 5. Pte. Pennington (SP); 6. Pte. Field (SP); 7. Pte. Field (SP); 8. Pte. Field (SP); 9. Pte. Field (SP); 10. Pte. Field (SP).

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RESIGNATION OF CLEMENTIS MAY LEAD TO PURGE

Prague, Mar. 14. — The resignation of the Czechoslovakian Foreign Minister, Vladimir Clementis, was regarded by Western observers here tonight as marking the end of all Western influence in the Czech Foreign Office and among its officials at home and abroad.

Super-Carrier Scuttled For Good

Washington, Mar. 14. — The Defence Secretary, Mr. Louis Johnson, who scuttled the Navy's proposed super-carrier last year, said today that as far as he was concerned the big ship was scuttled for good. He said: "Considerations which supported my original decision are still controlling, and I can see no prospect of being able to recommend its construction in the immediate future."

The Defence Secretary reaffirmed his verdict against the proposed 65,000-ton flush-deck carrier in a letter to Congress. In it he expressed opposition to the ship, "when and if" it was built, James Forrestal, in honour of his late predecessor. — United Press.

Preview Of Indian Textiles

London, Mar. 14. — Pressmen from many parts of the world were today given a preview of the largest exhibition of Indian textiles ever staged in Britain. It has been insured for £4,500.

Several rooms in India House have been transformed for the next month with an extraordinarily colourful display of brocades, furnishings, fabrics, household and table linen and dress materials. The designs and colours were gorgeous, and one journalist said that they reminded him of Indian flowers and sunshine.

The High Commissioner, Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, described it as "a very modern show, not intended to be large in quantity." Its purpose, he explained, was to arouse interest in Britain in what India could now produce in her mills. He hoped that the exhibition would prove interesting to people from other countries, although it was mainly intended to promote trade relations between India and Britain.

GREAT ATTRACTION
Disappointingly, the High Commissioner announced that none of the lovely things in the exhibition would be sold, as India House was a Government establishment.

He mentioned, however, that the names of all the firms which had sent goods to the exhibition were listed in the catalogue, and members of the staff of India House could supply all the additional information required by would-be purchasers.

When the exhibition is opened to the public on Thursday, housewives will be very interested in articles such as towels, bedspreads and household linen. Carpets from various parts of India, in pleasing designs and colours, are expected to prove a great attraction to London buyers. — Reuter.

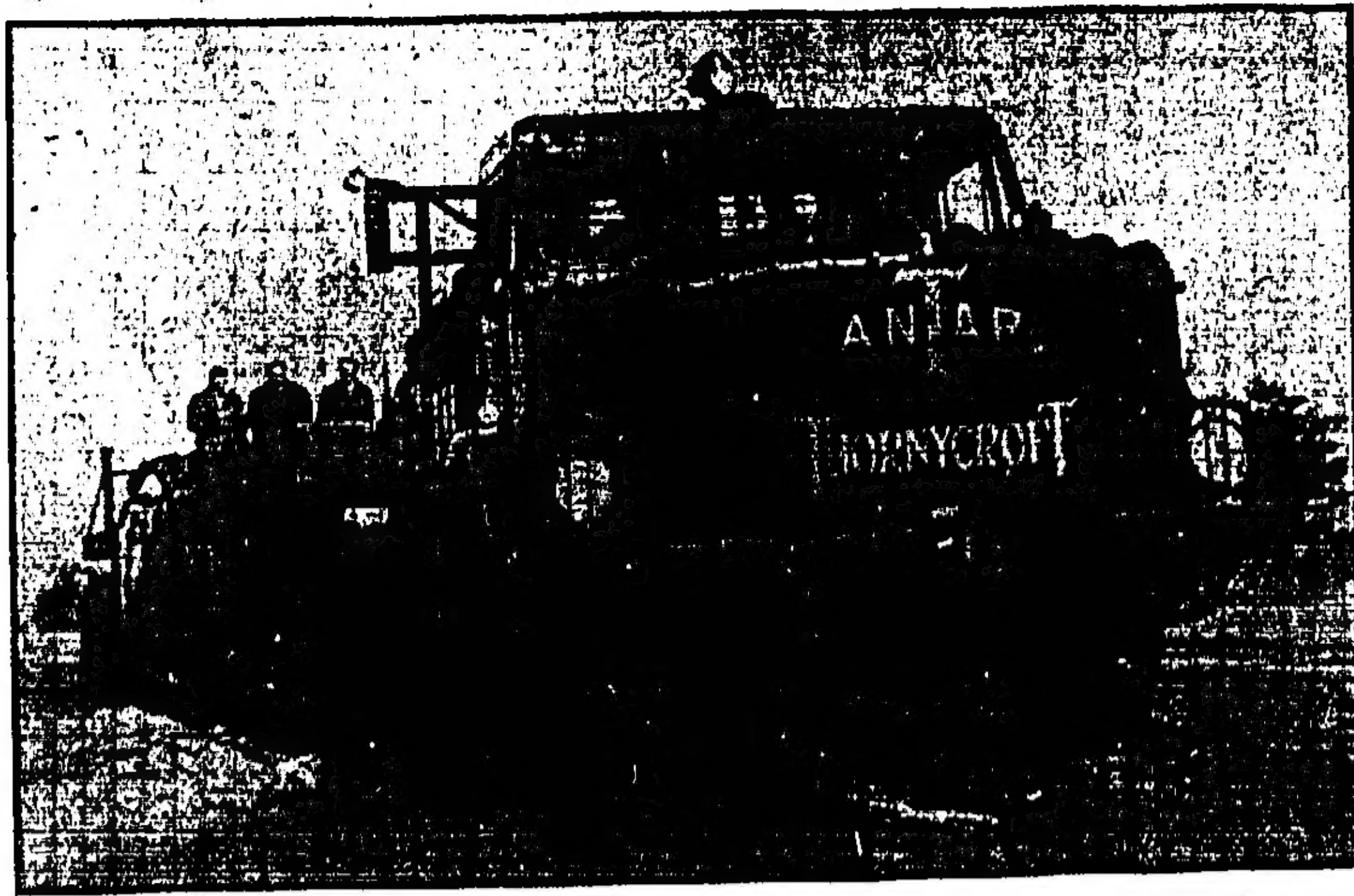
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"But are you sure you're ready for marriage? Let's see you tackle these dishes."

New Giant For Middle East



A new giant tractor designed to meet the requirements of the Iraq Petroleum Company, was demonstrated recently at Bagshot. It will be used to transport the heavy steel pipes to form the link between Kirkuk and the Mediterranean, and can carry a load of 32 tons and for a gross train weight with semi-trailer, of up to 100 tons. This picture shows the vehicle during the test. (Central Press).

Security Council Resolves To Appoint Kashmir Mediator

Lake Success, Mar. 14. — The Security Council tonight adopted a resolution appointing a Kashmir Mediator. The voting on the resolution to appoint a Mediator was eight in favour and none against, with India and Yugoslavia abstaining.

The Council's decision ends another phase in this long-drawn out dispute. The first phase was the appointment of a Kashmir Commission of five men, and the second was reached when they reported a deadlock in the negotiations.

The task of the Mediator will be to supervise demilitarisation in the disputed territory now occupied by four types of forces—Indian regular forces, aided by Kashmir State forces on one side, the Pakistan regular forces and Azad (Free)

Kashmir forces on the other. India today accepted the Council's decision with a few reservations about its methods and timing of demilitarisation. These same reservations caused a deadlock in the Kashmir Commission.

Security Council circles hoped that one-man mediation may overcome these obstacles. Sir Benegal Narsing Rau then read the Government of India's statement regarding the Security Council that it accepted the four-power resolution on Kashmir subject to reaffirmation of its position regarding the demilitarisation proposals.

INDIA'S STATEMENT

India's delegate made the following brief statement on behalf of his Government: "The Government of India's position regarding the Kashmir problem was stated by me in the statement I made on March 8, and my Government adheres to it and sees no reason to modify it."

"Subject to that, my Government accepts the resolution. "My Government assumes that, as implied in Paragraph 5 of the joint resolution, the United Nations representative will be appointed with the agreement of the parties and, on this assumption, is ready to extend to him such co-operation in the discharge of his functions as lies in its power."

He prefaced the statement by saying: "We have arrived at a stage of the debate when it is necessary to exercise the greatest self-restraint and economy of words if the settlement of this problem is to go forward."

"I shall, therefore, read out to the Council the statement my Government has instructed me to make and I shall resist any temptation to add to it in any way."

TWO-YEAR TASK

The resolution called upon India and Pakistan to carry out a demilitarisation programme within five months from the date of the resolution.

The names most frequently mentioned for the delicate task of mediation are Admiral Chester Nimitz, chosen earlier to supervise the Kashmir plebiscite, Dr Herbert Evatt, former Australian Minister for External Affairs, and Dr Ralph Bunche, former Acting Mediator in Palestine.

The name of General Carlos P. Romulo, of the Philippines, has also been mentioned. The Council debate under the presidency of Dr Homero La Fronte. The President invited Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan, of Pakistan, to sit at the Council table and also the chairman and members of the United Nations Kashmir Commission.

The Kashmir question has been before the Council for two years. Dr La Fronte said that, as had been agreed upon last time, he would call on the Indian representative, Sir Benegal Narsing Rau, to explain to the Council the views which his Government had communicated to him.

The President said that he would do this especially in view of the remarks made by the British representative, as spokesman for the four countries sponsoring the resolution before the Council.

Monks Flee From Chinese Communists

St Norbert, Manitoba, Mar. 14. — Ten Chinese monks of the Trappist Order today told of their escape from Communist China as they settled down in a monastery here.

Dom Paulinus, titular prior of the abandoned monastery of Our Lady of Joy, in Cheungtu, is the leader of the evacuated group. He went to the Cheungtu monastery after Communists raided the monastery of Our Lady of Consolation at Yang Kia Ping, in northern China.

The second monastery was between the Nationalist and Communist lines as the Reds moved south. One member of the group now settled here was seriously wounded by a Communist guerrilla bullet.

Dom Paulinus said half of the group dispersed and the other half moved away together when they were forced to abandon the monastery. He said many benefactors came to the aid of the Chinese monks to help them to reach this country. — United Press.

Rotary's 1950 Scholarships

Chicago, Mar. 14. — Rotary International, announcing its scholarships yesterday, said it would spend \$500,000 during the school year to send 85 graduate students to other countries for advanced study and to "promote international understanding and goodwill" and peace among peoples of the earth.

Among those who arrived here on scholarships are Miss Gwendolyn H. Mathews, of Madras, Nagayuru Shimizu, of Tokyo, and Miss Odette V. Mandam, of Manila. They will study in North America. — United Press.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION

There are six distinctly different arrangements, i.e., six octahedra, each of which would be distinguishable from one another in any position. There is one arrangement in which each pair of opposite corners have the same colour. There are three arrangements in which one pair of opposite corners have the same colour. There are two arrangements in which no pair of opposite corners have the same colour. — London Express Service.

Italy To Chop Up Big Estates; Land To Go To Peasants

Rome, Mar. 14. — A widespread re-distribution of land in Italy was announced today by the Prime Minister, Signor Alcide De Gasperi. While thousands of peasants in Southern Italy squatted grimly on vast areas of land they have seized in the last two weeks, the Premier disclosed that the Cabinet had agreed to cut up big estates throughout Italy and distribute part of them to unemployed farmers.

The Cabinet has spent 50 hours in the last eight days drawing up the plans.

The plans are described by observers as the most sweeping social change ever made in Italy without violence.

It was estimated that the reform plan to be submitted to Parliament within a few days will lop 3,750,000 acres off big estates and distribute them among 250,000 peasant families.

The plan was regarded as an effort to create a major bulwark against Communism by the reinforcement of the number of small farmers throughout the country.

PUBLIC WORKS
Premier de Gasperi said that the re-distribution of land would be accompanied by a 10-year programme to spend 12,000,000 lire on land development.

The poverty-stricken areas of Southern Italy, Sicily and Sardinia would be enriched as never before under this programme.

Large public works schemes will irrigate and drain land at present scarcely cultivated, whole populations will be moved on to farmland at present barren, and the beginnings of modern civilisation will move into an area which has been one of Europe's poorest since Hannibal laid it waste 2,100 years ago.

Premier de Gasperi told a press conference that although details of the bills containing the new programme have been agreed in the Cabinet, certain final details have still to be settled.

The Cabinet is expected to complete discussions tomorrow and to vote formal and final approval of the measures.

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Shah Returns To Persia

Karachi, Mar. 14. — The Shah of Persia, Mohammed Reza Pahlavi, returned here tonight after his 14-day tour of East and West Pakistan.

He was estimated to have covered 4,500 miles. — Reuter.

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